EVERYONE DESERVES A HOME

We urgently call for common-sense solutions to New York's housing challenges.

Half of US tenants can't afford rent. Tent cities and mass homeless encampments are growing by the day across the country. In New York City, the number of families at risk of eviction has reached Great Depression-era levels, and half of tenants in every part of the state pay more rent than they can afford. The Right to Shelter has protected New York City families from street homelessness, but now it is under attack. Mayor Adams is using the asylum seekers as an excuse to gut this essential right. Our government has failed to enact solutions to the crisis on every level. Temporary housing in shelters and hotels costs more money than permanent housing. Every New Yorker deserves a home. Our government can achieve this by prioritizing policies that work over the demands of the landlord lobby.

New York City must **reinforce our dedication to sheltering anyone experiencing homelessness** and **Intro 0212, ending the 30/60 day rule, and pass the Community Opportunity to Purchase Act.** Mayor Adams must **implement the expansion of City FHEPS**, effectively administer voucher programs and **increase enforcement for sources of income discrimination.** We call for a **$2.5 billion capital investment in HPD's Neighborhood Pillars Program and Open Doors Program** over five years.

New York State must pass a comprehensive set of laws to ensure safe homes for all. This includes **Livable New York (S8676/A9767)**, the **Housing Access Voucher Program (S5688/A4021A)** and the **Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act.** It is crucial to **strengthen rent stabilization** to ensure fair processes for determining rent-stabilized status. Additionally, we need to create a pathway to **build publicly owned homes controlled by the people who live there** through the creation of the Social Housing Development Authority (S.8494/A9088). This also includes **protecting low-income homeowners' pathway to generational wealth** through property tax relief.

Good Cause Eviction Protections created in the 2024 state budget must be enforced and the Village of Hempstead should **opt into Good Cause Protections.**

It's time for practical solutions that create a livable future for everyday New Yorkers.